## UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 02-7743

In Re: GEORGE MILLER,

Petitioner.

On Petition for Writ of Mandamus. (CA-99-692-5)

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Submitted: May 13, 2003

Decided: May 21, 2003

Before MICHAEL, TRAXLER, and KING, Circuit Judges.

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Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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George Miller, Petitioner Pro Se.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit. See Local Rule 36(c).

## PER CURIAM:

George Miller petitions for a writ of mandamus alleging that the district court has unduly delayed acting on his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (2000) petition. He seeks an order from this court directing the district court to act. After Miller filed the instant mandamus petition, the district court entered an order denying relief on Miller's habeas petition. Accordingly, we deny Miller's mandamus petition as moot but grant his motion to proceed in forma pauperis. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

PETITION DENIED